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The Honorable Thomas Judge  
Governor  
State of Montana  
Helena, Montana 59601

October 1, 1974

Dear Governor Judge:

In accordance with the requirements of Section 82-4002, R.C.M. 1947 there is herewith transmitted to you the report of the State Board of Architects covering the fiscal year ended June 30, 1974.

The Board of Architects has noted a significant increase in the number of applications for reciprocal registration by out-of-state architects. We have asked for an increase in the required fee for reciprocal registration, to offset costs of processing and of travel to national meetings where such issues are discussed.

Investigation of several complaints alleging misconduct or unlawful practice have occupied much of the board's time. In the pursuit of such complaints, we became acutely aware of shortcoming in our law, and we plan to take steps to overcome them.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin W. Crennen  
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## LEGAL REFERENCES

The legal authority for the Board of Architects are contained in Section 66-102 thru 66-115 and 82 A-1602.3, R.C.M. 1947. Operating policies necessary to administer statutory requirements are contained in the Rules Applicable to the Practice of Architecture in Montana. The Board of Architects is attached to the Department of Professional and Occupational Licensing for administrative purposes only as prescribed by Section 82A-108, R.C.M. 1947.

## MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES

The State Board of Architects has two principal functions: (1) to regulate the practice of architecture in Montana within the Framework of the Laws, Rules, and Regulations applicable to the practice of Architecture and (2) to examine all candidates for architectural registration in Montana including new candidates through formal written examination, and architects registered in other states through reciprocity.

The Board also maintains a current roster of registered architects licensed to practice in Montana, and collects fees due from renewals and new registrations.

## MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENT

During the 1973-1974 fiscal year 12 architects were registered by written exam and 40 architects were registered by reciprocity. 192 architects in residence were certified for practice in 1973-1974 and 247 out of residence architects were certified for practice. Total licensees is 491.

Several complaints of alleged misconduct or illegal practice were investigated by the board, three of which are still pending. We have discovered, through the pursuit of the complaints, that our law as it pertains to misconduct or illicit practice is ambiguous and does not contain many "teeth". We have, therefore, adopted more explicit rules of conduct and contemplate future legislation to bolster what we have found to be a weak document. We think that it is essential that we be able to discipline our own profession and to prohibit unlawful practice and are working toward that goal.

Fifteen candidates sat for the professional examination in December, 1973, and 12 passed, which is well above the national average. This examination will be offered again in December 1974 and we anticipate twenty candidates.

Two candidates took the Equivalency examination in June, 1974, but neither passed.



## PROGRAM COST SUMMARY

	FY 1973-1974	FY 1972-1973
Licensing and Regulation:	9,039.	7,940.
Personal Services	4,356.	2,016
Operating Expenses	4,652.	5,924.
Equipment	31.	
Earmarked Revenue Fund	9,039.	7,940

## PROGRAM ANALYSIS

PROGRAM GOALS: Upgrade and maintain a high standard of integrity, dignity and competency in the profession, and to protect the public from incompetency and dishonesty of licensed practitioners.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:

1. Carefully review applicants for the examination, as well as through reciprocity agreements.
2. Investigate complaints alleging violation of the laws, rules, and regulations pertaining to the practice of Architecture.
3. Promote training programs for licensed architects as well as those aspiring to registration, to elevate standard of practice.

EVALUATION: Due to complaints more time was expended on the regulation function than licensing.

